

MORTON SALT

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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. Jed Pearson State of Utah Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 Salt Lake City, UT 84114-5801

RE: Escalation of Reclamation Surety to Year 2012, Morton Salt-Grantsville, M0450037, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. Pearson:

Enclosed are the following documents executed and/or issued on behalf of Morton International, Inc.:

- 1. Large Mine Reclamation Contract (undated, Form MR-RC);
- 2. Addendum #1 to Large Mine Reclamation Contract, dated June 12, 2008 (creating effective date of June 1, 1995 for Large Mine Reclamation Contract); and
- 3. Increase Penalty Rider dated July 1, 2008 issued by Safeco Insurance Company of America, increasing the amount of the surety bond to \$2,129,975.00.

Please arrange to have the first two items executed on behalf of the DOGM and return a copy to me.

As we discussed, I will be contacting you in the next few weeks for guidance on how to replace Morton Salt's surety bond with a self-bonding agreement. I will also be contacting Ms. Heppler or Ms. Erickson of your office to arrange a meeting with appropriate Morton Salt personnel regarding our existing NOI.

Thank you again for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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